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CUBA AT THE FRONT

The President May Have to Act in Cuban Matters Before Calhoun's Returns.

THE CUBAN QUESTION LAID OVER.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee Lays Cuban Matter Over Until Monday When Decisive Action is Expected.

Washington, May 13.—The senate committee on foreign relations considered the Cuban question but arrived at no conclusion. The whole matter is going over until Monday, when it is expected a report will be ready and will be submitted to the senate. A brief covering the essential points in the correspondence from Cuba was read to the committee but further information was deemed necessary to an accurate and fair presentation of the case to the senate.

In the foreign relations committee in its conference on Cuba a brief was presented by the sub-committee which yesterday conferred with the president and Secretary Sherman. It was prepared by Davis and Foraker, Morgan declining to participate. It is a summary of the official reports from our consuls in various parts of Cuba, including Consul General Leont Havana. These reports confirm the newspaper reports as to the special stress laid on the condition of Americans in the island. It is positively stated that hundreds of these are starving and wretchedly clothed. The deaths of Americans from starvation are daily reported. They are scattered in all parts of the island and it is shown that no consideration whatever is given on account of American citizenship. Most of them are driven into the cities from the plantations. Nominally they are under the care of the Spanish army, but the latter has no commissaries and these people are among strangers without employment and compelled to subsist on almost nothing. They are not allowed to return to their plantations to even pick berries. They have no means of leaving the island. The committee was especially impressed with the story and the opinion is generally expressed that the situation should be remedied if possible. The report also indicates the generally wretched condition of all inhabitants of the island, made more so by malignant diseases such as smallpox and yellow fever. The report indicated that the Spanish army is not as strong as a year ago, with the diminution of the insurgent forces. In view of these developments, Morgan hopes to have a solid support for his resolution which he expects to urge next Monday.

The delay by the senate committee on foreign relations in the matter of the Cuban question is for the purpose of giving the president an opportunity to act. Representations have been made to him of the need of immediate action. It was also represented to him that recognition ought to be by the executive and not by the legislative branch. He has also been urged to take steps looking to the relief of the starving American in Cuba. The members of the committee believe he will act before Monday. If he does not, there is no doubt the committee will urge the passage of the Morgan resolution recognizing Cuban belligerency in the strongest terms possible. The committee will be practically unanimous on the subject. The members of the committee recommended that the president, if necessary, secure a landing for food for the starving Americans and that the supplies be accompanied by warships. The president listened to this advice, but didn't indicate his intention. The committee has a list of the heads of families, representing over 100 Americans said to be starving.

An interview on Cuba. The president devoted two hours this afternoon to listening to an unofficial report of the Cuban situation by Edwin T. Atkins of Boston, who has extensive sugar plantations in the island. He is a warm personal friend of Secretary Long and just returned from Cuba. Long accompanied him to the White House. Judge Day called in and the trio listened to the planter's view of the situation as indicated by the military operations and with relations to American interests in Cuba. All visitors were exulted. It is not known what Atkins said to the president but there is reason to believe that he favored the insurgents. The president is gathering all the information possible on Cuba and in the light of this and the report of Calhoun, now in Havana, he will decide on a course of action.

Another Cuban Resolution. Castle of California, introduced a joint resolution in the house today for the recognition of the belligerent rights of the

Cubans. The house witnessed another attack by Simpson of Kansas, on the speaker's refusal to appoint the committee and then took up the conference report on the Indian appropriation bill.

TILLMAN VINEGAR.

The Pitchfork Statesman Talks About Corrupting Senators.

Washington, May 13.—The senate decided today when it adjourned it shall be till Monday, then it entered on the discussion of Allen's resolution directing that Broker Chapman be held in contempt for refusal to testify before the senate sugar investigating committee, and that he be required to purge himself of contempt before he receives executive clemency. The discussion ranged from dry legal argument to a sensational outburst from Tillman of South Carolina.

Senator Tillman made a sensational speech in the course of the debate on bringing Chapman before the bar of the senate. He said the senate should not go after Chapman but should learn whether the senators had speculated in sugar stocks. There were published charges, he said, that senators had speculated in sugar stock within the last week. Instead of looking to Chapman, he said, the senate might better call on Havemeyer and other sugar trust grandees. Referring to the last investigation he said: "We want to know whether our committee was bought and punish the men who bought them."

The Chapman resolution was finally referred to the judiciary committee.

At the request of Morgan, his resolution on Cuban belligerency went over till Tuesday afternoon. Gallinger introduced a joint resolution appropriating \$50,000 for the relief of the suffering Americans in Cuba. Referred to foreign relations committee.

The senate committee on finance practically agreed the debate on the tariff bill should begin Monday, the 24th inst. Aldrich will call up the bill next Thursday for the purpose of making a statement regarding it, but no effort will be made to get the bill up until the regular time the following Monday. This delay was agreed to out of deference to the wishes of the Democratic members.

IT WAS NOT ABOUT CUBA.

A Conference Between the President and Secretary Long Causes Some Excitement.

Washington, May 13.—The president and Secretary of the Navy Long and Assistant Secretary of State Day held an extended conference this afternoon in the cabinet room. It was generally understood that important matters relating to the Cuban question were discussed.

If it is learned the conference was not regarding Cuban affairs but the New York dry dock, whose condition is giving the secretary considerable concern.

UGLY MURDER IN MISSOURI.

Walter Hager Killed by Charles Martin—Were the Sons of Two Sisters.

Moberly, Mo., May 13.—Between 9 and 10 o'clock last night Charles Martin shot and killed Walter Hager in the front yard of Allen D. Terrill, who resides about a mile and a half south of Moberly. Martin is 17 years old, a son of Thomas Martin, a farmer, who resides four miles south of Moberly. Hager was nearly 31 years old, and is a son of George Hager, a well known locomotive engineer.

Walter Hager was engaged to marry Enid Terrill, and young Martin had been paying his addresses to the next eldest daughter. A dispute arose in the house last night and Hager remarked that it was no place to settle difficulties. He left the house before Martin, and was waiting for him at the stile in front of the house. The quarrel was here renewed. A pistol shot was soon heard, followed by at least three others. Hager was able to reach the house to state that Martin had shot him. He was lifted on the porch, where he died a few minutes afterward in the arms of the girl he was to wed, his last words being: "Enid, Enid."

Young Martin claims self-defense. Hager had no weapon upon his person.

A Texas Feud Ends in Murder.

San Antonio, Texas, May 13.—Two negroes, William W. White and his son, went to the house of Felix Johnson, a white farmer and renewed an old quarrel. When the fight was ended Theodore Nobles was suffering from two gun shot wounds and died. George Johnson was fatally wounded. Felix and Aaron Johnson, white, were all seriously wounded. Young White escaped though wounded.

An adjourned meeting of the board of review of the National Trotting association was held in Chicago yesterday.

Wm. T. Best, the organist and composer, is dead at London. He was born at Carlisle in 1826.

A single polypus has been cut into 124 parts, and each in time became a perfect animal.

The supreme court denied the petition freight association case.

In one summer the dependants of a single fly will number 3,000,000.

ILLINOIS SOLONS.

Senatorial Apportionment Bill Reported in the Senate—Other Matters.

THE BRAVE CHIEFS OF POLICE

Continue the Discussion as to the Bertillon System of Measurements—Board of Governors Instructed to Confer with Government.

Springfield, Ill., May 13.—Pemberton, of the committee on senatorial apportionment, introduced the apportionment bill agreed on last night and already published. It was advanced to a second reading.

Curley's bill exempting cashiers in public offices from civil service examination was passed.

The house bill extending additional tax one per cent till the end of '99 for the completion of the Chicago drainage canal was passed and now goes to the governor. The bill permitting justices of the peace and police magistrates to retain their fees from the fines collected; the bill amending the election law so that party organizations shall appoint the judges and clerks of election, the bill providing that public administrators shall administer after 75 days, after death of intestate, if application for administration is not made by any creditors, were passed.

An hour and a half was consumed in consideration of the bill fixing the time for holding circuit court on the new circuits. After the adoption of numerous amendments, the bill was advanced to a third reading, after which a recess was taken.

GRAIN DEPARTMENT SHORTAGE.

Evidence That Illinois Lost \$55,000 During Andrews' Term.

Chicago, May 13.—The special grand jury investigating the affairs of the state grain inspector's office has heard evidence which tends to show that the state of Illinois was robbed of at least \$55,000 during the administration of Governor Altgeld. B. B. Ray, secretary of the railroad and warehouse commission, testified that the books showed a surplus in the grain office of \$45,000 at the time State Inspector Prices turned over the office to his successor, G. P. Bunker. Dwight W. Andrews, who was until recently chairman of the Democratic state committee, served out Bunker's unexpired term. When Andrews turned over the office to E. J. Noble, the present chief grain inspector, there was a deficit of \$10,000, making a difference of \$55,000. This, with the receipts of the office, has disappeared.

The expenses in 1896 ran from \$8000 to \$5000 a month. One peculiar feature of the pay rolls is the apparent reduction of salaries in the grain office. The pay rolls show that salaries were reduced, but the same men were allowed extra pay, and these names appear on both the regular and extra pay rolls. In many cases it is impossible to tell by the vouchers where the money went or to whom it was paid.

MARRIED IN PARIS.

Miss Alice Cary Crossed the Sea to Wed Frank J. Fitzwilliam, Jr.

Bloomington, Ill., May 13.—A telegram has been received from Paris, France, conveying the news of the marriage at the American Episcopal church of Mr. Frank J. Fitzwilliam, Jr., of this city, and Miss Alice Cary of Chicago. The news is a genuine surprise to the friends of both and to the people of the two cities. Mr. Fitzwilliam is studying architecture in Paris. Miss Cary left home to visit friends in Canton, Mass., where she remained only a few days, proceeding thence to Paris. Her family knew of her journey, but did not inform friends outside of the family. Mr. and Mrs. Fitzwilliam will remain in Paris until the completion of the former's studies. Both are prominent and popular in the best circles. They met while Mr. Fitzwilliam was a student at the University of Illinois.

Kansas City Prize Fight.

Kansas City, Mo., May 13.—Johnny Ford, the Armoured featherweight, knocked out Andy Wirthman of Davenport, Iowa, in two minutes in a suburban bout early this morning. The fight was intended to last ten rounds. Wirthman was dazed by a jaw blow, which Ford followed with several stiff punches landing the Iowa on the ropes. The winner took the purse and gate receipts.

The War in the Philippines.

Madrid, May 13.—An official Manila dispatch says the Spanish troops captured Ternate. Fifty-seven insurgents were killed. The Spaniards lost twenty-five killed and 326 wounded.

INSURGENTS IN HAVANA.

Gomez Causing Alarm at the Capital—Shameful Treatment of Women.

Key West, Fla., May 13.—In Havana province the insurgents are growing more active every day. Near Benjugal, in that province, Colonel Cardenas, with a force of 400 Cubans, met and defeated a Spanish detachment under Major Severas recently. The Spanish were well entrenched. The Cubans, finding that they could not force the fortifications, made a feint of fleeing, and in this way drew the Spanish in pursuit. A large force was held in concealment until the pursuing Spaniards had passed and then fell upon their flanks and rear with stunning force. The rout was terrible and the loss to the Spaniards great. The survivors fled toward Benjugal. The Cubans burnt the block house at Benbow, procuring one old field piece and 200 stands of arms.

Another story comes from Guanabacoa of the arrival there of thirty or forty Cuban women, who were arrested and sent in, in accordance with Weyler's recent order, on account of Cuban raids on towns where they lived. They were of all ages, from girls of 15 and 16 to matrons of 55 and 60.

Mila Louisa Garcia was torn from the side of the altar as she was being married. Two girls of 18 and 20 were taken from the bedside of their dying father. A group of four girls had gone to attend a ball at the town where they were arrested. The Spanish officers entered the ball room and selected eight or ten of the women. They were compelled to come attired in their ball dresses. They are incarcerated in the women's prison, where they will probably remain for a long period.

A band of Cubans under Delgado encompassed Havana Saturday and Sunday, firing at the outposts and creating considerable stir. Sunday night the firing was very heavy for over an hour, and it is stated that a number of Spanish soldiers were killed and wounded and that the Cuban loss was still greater. The Cubans are making frequent dashes around the outposts with their cavalry, and every morning from one to twenty-five wounded Spanish soldiers are brought into the city hospitals.

For the last few days Havana has been in an uproar over the movements of General Gomez. Several times large detachments from his army have passed from Matanzas province into Havana territory. All the outside garrisons in Havana have been hastily re-enforced, troops have been transferred from point to point and earth works put up to command the approach on the main roads. Gomez's movements were rapid and somewhat eccentric, and no sooner would the Spaniards learn of his presence at one point than he would be reported at another. It is not thought here that Gomez has any designs on Havana. Several Spanish detachments that were sent out to meet him have fared disastrously, one column under Colonel Jesus del Moratz having fallen into an ambush. Another column was met by the insurgents near Benbow, and after half a day's fighting was forced to retreat, leaving seventy dead on the field.

State Sunday School Convention Over, Belleville, Ill., May 13.—The closing day of the Illinois state Sunday school convention opened with prayer meeting and workers conference and graduate exercises in the Normal department. The closing, this evening will be with platform meeting and service of sacred songs. Next Sabbath's lesson will be taught by Rev. M. R. Morrill of Minnesota.

Greeks Blockading Salonica. Salonica, May 13.—The Greek squadron is watching the coast of Platanon to the Gulf of Volo. It is claimed the Greeks are also blockading the Gulf of Salonica. A British steamer bound for Salonica was prevented entering the gulf.

Presidential Nominations. Washington, May 13.—The president sent in the following nominations today. Postmasters: Illinois, W. H. Gilliam, Vienna; Martin E. Stranger, Downers Grove.

BASE BALL—National League. Philadelphia 3, St. Louis 2. Philadelphia 5, St. Louis 2. Chicago 9, Cincinnati 1. Baltimore 5, Washington 4. Brooklyn 5, Cleveland 3. Boston 3, Pittsburgh 1.

Western League. Minneapolis 13, St. Paul 12. Columbus 6, Indianapolis 3. Detroit 3, Grand Rapids 1. Milwaukee 6, Kansas City 2.

How They Stand. Won. Lost. Pr. ct. Baltimore.....13 3 .813 Louisville..... 9 4 .692 Philadelphia.....11 6 .647 Pittsburgh..... 9 5 .643 Cincinnati..... 9 7 .563 Cleveland..... 8 8 .500 New York..... 6 6 .500 Boston..... 7 8 .467 Brooklyn..... 6 10 .375 Chicago..... 5 12 .294 Washington..... 4 10 .286 St. Louis..... 4 12 .250

POSTMASTER GORDON

Is Seriously Sick of Scarlet Fever and Is Removed to Providence Hospital.

DEPUTY HUBBARD IN CHARGE OFFICE

President McKinley Requests That His Condition Be Reported to the White House—Congratulating Telegrams Received.

Washington, May 13.—Postmaster Gordon's sickness developed yesterday into a well defined case of scarlet fever and he was taken to Providence hospital for treatment. All night long the patient was delirious and when his physicians called upon him yesterday morning they found no change for the better, but his symptoms were more alarming than the night before. It was originally intended to take him to Garfield hospital in accordance with the suggestion of the president, who has another friend now undergoing treatment at that institution, but there was no provision for contagious cases and the Chicago postmaster was compelled to go to the Providence hospital, where there is a ward for such diseases. His removal was accomplished from the hotel without any trouble, although his physicians did not attempt to conceal the fact that his condition was very serious. Even with the best care and attention it will be several weeks before he recovers sufficiently to attend to business.

Supt. McGrath of the city delivery department of the Chicago office will remain here for several days to attend to business which may be necessary at this end of the line in connection with the Chicago post office. A telegram was sent Deputy Postmaster Hubbard yesterday afternoon announcing the critical condition of the postmaster and directing him in future to send all mail intended for Postmaster Gordon direct to the postoffice department. There it will be turned over to Supt. McGrath and thus avoid any unnecessary loss of time in the transaction of the public business. A number of communications have been received at the Arlington hotel addressed to the postmaster, many of them upon official business, and these will also be turned over to Supt. McGrath for consideration.

As soon as it was known that the Chicago postmaster had been taken from his hotel to the hospital the president sent a message to First Assistant Postmaster General Heath directing him to see that every attention was given the patient and that the occupant of the White House should be kept informed daily of his condition. Anything that could be done would be done cheerfully and willingly and nothing must be neglected that would conduce to the recovery of Chicago's postmaster. Friends of Mr. Gordon at Chicago were also notified of his removal from the hotel and congratulatory telegrams that his condition permitted this were received from Congressman Foss, Charles Page Bryan and members of the Marquette club of Chicago.

New Apportionment. Springfield, Ill., May 13.—The senate committee on senatorial apportionment will report to the senate an apportionment measure which makes McLean county the Twenty-second district. Champeign, Platt and Montrose are placed in the Thirtieth district. Mason, Menard, Cass, Brown and Pike counties constitute the Thirty-second district. Macon, De Witt and Logan are made the Forty-first district. Of the proposed districts eleven in Cook county are Republican and four Democratic. In the county twenty-one were Republican and four Democratic. In the country twenty-one were Republican in '93 and '96 and six Democratic. Eight of the remaining districts were Republican in '93 and Democratic in '93.

Berlin Corn and Produce Merchants. Berlin, May 13.—The government with the view of stopping what is regarded as being an evasion of the Boeres law of 1896 has informed the Berlin corn and produce merchants that their meetings will hereafter be regarded as constituting them a produce exchange, within the meaning of the law, and they are therefore called upon to furnish the statutes and regulations of other of their exchanges in compliance with the law, and to obtain for them official sanction.

Heavy Rain in Kentucky. Middleboro, Ky., May 13.—A continuous rain for thirty-six hours has again flooded the city. Thousands of acres of growing corn are under water. The loss is heavy.

Chinese Loan. Peking, China, May 13.—Preliminary contract for a loan of \$80,000,000 has been signed in behalf of a British syndicate.

MARKET REPORT.

BY H. Z. TAYLOR.

Wheat opened a shade over last night, went down a little, and then turned around and advanced, holding the gain well. The trade was a little light, and the market was not as active as it might have been. The first cables were 1/4 lower, but the later ones reported the recovery of 1/4. Consols were 113 7/16 money, and 113 1/2 account. The "Price Current" was bullish today, saying: "Considerable improvement in Indiana and some elsewhere, calculated to offset any lowering otherwise, and average promises to be maintained. Spring crop has high possibilities. Early wheat harvest in Ohio Valley region." Then the secretary of the San Francisco Call-Board got in with a message, saying: "We have had no rain to speak of since the latter part of March, since when prevailing weather has been unfavorable, and throughout the state late sown wheat is virtually gone. Summer wheat is holding its own well under the circumstances." New York wired there were no acceptances of wheat by early cable. Total clearances today were very large, and helped the advance some. They were 478,951 bushels of wheat and 29,008 barrels of flour, the two together equalling 609,600 bushels of wheat. Consols climbed to 114 1/4 today in spite of the advance in the wheat market. The contract in today's receipts of wheat at Chicago amounted to 5 cars, out of 7 arriving. The northwestern receipts were liberal. Today Minneapolis got 188 cars of wheat, and Duluth got 123, total of 312, against 368 (Minneapolis 238, Duluth 120) a week ago, and 363 (Minneapolis 179, Duluth 104) a year ago. Weather in France is declared too cold for the wheat.

Corn opened about where it left off, and made a slight advance when wheat went up. Trade was better, but the market was still not active. The total clearances of corn today were 481,000 bushels. "Price Current" says: "Corn crop position is fairly good." Fifty cars graded, of 134 received.

Oats opened where they left off last night, and made a slight advance on strength borrowed from wheat. Trade, rather light; market, not active. "Price Current" says: "Oats crop is shaping fairly." Twenty cars graded.

Provisions opened generally lower. Trade, rather small; not much doing; range narrow; price steady to firm. The week's packing was 380,000 head, against 360,000 head for the corresponding week a year ago.

St. Louis. St. Louis, May 13.—Wheat, cash 94; July, 79 1/2.

Corn, cash, 23 1/2; July, 23 1/2. Oats, cash, 30; July, 19 1/2.

New York. New York, May 13.—July wheat, 80 1/2. Corn, 81 1/2. Oats, 23.

Peoria Grain. Peoria, Ill., May 13.—Corn, firm; new, No. 2, 34. Oats, firm; No. 2, white, 20 1/2. No. 2, rye, quiet nominal.

Wheat—	Open—	High—	Low—	Close—
May.....	73 1/2	74 1/2	73	74 1/2
July.....	69 1/2	70	69	69 1/2
Sept.....	25 1/2	25 1/2	25	25 1/2
Oct.....	25 1/2	25 1/2	25	25 1/2
Nov.....	18 1/2	18 1/2	18	18 1/2
Dec.....	18 1/2	18 1/2	18	18 1/2
Jan.....	8 62 1/2	8 70	8 62 1/2	8 67 1/2
Feb.....	3 97	3 00	3 95	4 00
Mar.....	4 55	4 70	4 55	4 70

Hogs. Hog receipts, 27,000; estimated 30,000. Market about steady. Light, \$3.75@\$3.85; Mixed, \$3.75@\$3.90; Heavy, \$3.75@\$3.90; Rough, \$3.45@\$3.60. Estimated for to-morrow, 22,000.

Cattle. Cattle receipts, 10,000. Market steady.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

The Eighty-First Annual Report Shows Receipts Aggregating \$188,377.

New York, May 13.—The eighty-first annual report of the American Bible society presented at the annual meeting this afternoon shows receipts for benevolent work, including gifts from auxiliaries, \$188,377; disbursements for benevolent work, \$265,668; total gifts of living benefactors, \$56,880. Over 100,000 bibles were sent to foreign countries the past year. Seven-eighths went to Mexico, Central and South America.

The Chiefs of Police.

Pittsburg, May 13.—The Bertillon system occupied the attention of the third session of the Chiefs of Police convention today. The board of governors were instructed to confer with the government officials at Washington in regard to the establishment of national headquarters for the Bertillon system.

The Dog "Oway" Not Dead. St. Louis, May 13.—Among the leading attractions is the annual show of pet dogs opened here today, is "Oway," the celebrated canine favorite of the railway mail service who was reported killed in Cleveland some time ago.

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REPUBLICAN JUDICIAL TICKET.

For Judge of the 3d Supreme District,
JACOB W. WILKIN, of Vermilion.
[Election June 7.]

For Judges of the Sixth Circuit.
(Three to elect—Election June 7.)
W. G. COCHRAN, of Mountrie.
F. M. WRIGHT, of Champaign.
E. P. VAIL, of Macon.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, May 13.—Generally fair and
cooler tonight and Friday, possibly pre-
ceded by local showers late this afternoon.
Conditions favorable for light frosts Fri-
day morning, fresh west to northwest
winds.

A Civil Service Blunder.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: It may be
taken for granted that it is not the pur-
pose of civil service rules to injure or de-
stroy the efficiency of any department of
the government. Yet those who are best
informed concerning the work of the
United States corps of engineers can see
nothing but impairment in the order is-
sued in the last year of Mr. Cleveland's
administration, directing that all em-
ployees of the department above the grade
of laborer be classified under one of eleven
heads. The new order went into effect
September 1 last, with a most unfortu-
nate effect upon the operations of the en-
gineers, who find their labors hampered
and made more costly and their system
confused by the effort to "reform" what
was already in excellent running order.
For a hundred years the department has
been conducted without the loss of a cent
from default, or the serious inroads of po-
litical spoilsmen. It is easy to imagine
the dismay of the engineers, with their
high record for honesty and capacity,
when called on to turn over the selection
of their subordinates to martinet exam-
ining boards with no practical knowledge
of the difficult duties involved.

Senator Frye, chairman of the commit-
tee on rivers and harbors, announces that
he does not intend that civil service shall
interfere with work on river improve-
ments. The assurance is timely, since
the civil service classification in this
branch of engineering is simply paralyz-
ing. If a cook, fireman, mate, engineer,
pilot or other classified employee, suddenly
leaves a government boat engaged in de-
livering material to keep hundreds of
men busy, no unclassified man can be em-
ployed to take his place. The vessel must
be tied to the bank until the captain re-
ports to the engineers, who advise the sec-
retary of war. The secretary makes a re-
quisition on the civil service commission,
who send a list of eligibles for cooks, fire-
men, etc., from the first three of which a
man must be selected for appointment by
the secretary. If no eligibles are avail-
able there must be an advertisement and
competitive examinations, after which the
secretary acts, and the steamboat finally
gets its reform cook from some distant
part of the country. He may not know
enough to boil an egg, but he is up in the
parrot business of the examination papers
and books, and as a duly classified man
he is a perfected product. If his superiors
deny it their grievance goes to the civil
service commission.

Colonel Mackenzie, the former acting
chief of engineers, says he is in favor of
the application of civil service to the de-
partment with which he is connected, but
he makes so many qualifying remarks
that the weight of his argument is on the
other side. He admits that he would pre-
fer a system by which all men seeking
employment on river improvements
should be selected by the engineer in
charge of the work, his choice to be ap-
proved by the chief of engineers. He also
refers to the enormous political pressure
brought to bear for appointments on the
secretary of war, and this brings the
whole subject back to the spoils system.
In the examinations Colonel Mackenzie
says that the educational and medical
tests have been largely modified or aban-
doned. The conclusion is irresistible that
a thoroughly effective department of the
government has been muddled in the
name of civil service reform, and that it
may be destroyed unless the absurd sham
is set aside.

The Cuban Question.

There will probably be some positive
action in the senate on the Cuban ques-
tion in the near future. Mr. Calhoun
has gone to Cuba as the special repre-
sentative of the president to investigate the
Rolz case and a committee from the sen-
ate has received assurances from the pre-
sident that all the correspondence in the
state department relative to the Cuban
question will be laid before the senate
committee on foreign affairs and that he
will carry out any decision congress may
arrive at in relation to the position the
United States shall assume in the matter

of the Cuban rebellion. This means
quick developments and possibly the
speedy recognition of the Cubans as bal-
ligerents or the acknowledgment of their
independence by the United States, and
why not?

Already there seems to have been too
much delay in the matter. Had Spain in
all this time been waging civilized war-
fare on the island of Cuba there might be
some excuse, but there is no more excuse
for this government standing idly by and
witnessing the atrocities of Spain in
Cuba without a protest than there is in a
stout healthy man standing by without
protesting while another is murdering
women and children. Spain is brutal.
She always has been brutal and for that
reason is unfit to govern a dependency.
For 400 years she has demonstrated her
inability to govern Cuba and it is time
for the United States to interfere and set-
tle the trouble.

This country cannot afford to bury pa-
triotism and sentiment and honor at the
command of capital or business interests
and when the latter makes such demands
upon the country it is time to call a halt.
It was so in the Chilian affair. It was
so in the Hawaiian affair. It was so in
the general arbitration treaty. The gen-
eral fear that an assertion of the rights of
the nation might injure somebody's busi-
ness is responsible for all the opposition
our American sentiment encountered.
The general arbitration treaty was illog-
ical in every way except from the stand-
point of Great Britain and the sentiment
in favor of it had its source in the cold
blooded cave of business interest which
seems willing to surrender everything to
making money. This policy is not only
wrong but it is dangerous for the very
plain reason that when American patri-
otism is once suppressed there will follow
upon its funeral wake anarchy and its
attendant ills. We, as a nation, have re-
sponsibilities we dare not suppress. We
can't if we would. We must hear the cry
of the victims of Spanish atrocities going
on at our door in Cuba. We must put a
stop to it and the quicker the better. It
is well the president has consented to give
the senate committee on foreign affairs
the full history of the case so that the
committee may act intelligently.

The great majority in the house against
the Humphrey bill does not fairly mea-
sure the standing of those bills in the
house. The friends of the bills perhaps
lacked a few votes of having enough to
pass them and when this shortage became
known scores of men who intended to
vote for the bills ran to cover and voted
against them.

Nobody blames Weyler for making the
fast ride to avoid capture by the insur-
gents but they do insist that if the war is
over as he says, and the insurgents have
been subdued he is very foolish to flee
from peaceable citizens who may simply
have desired to shake hands with the con-
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Paddy Gorman, the Australian, laid
down in the third round of the fight with
Tommy Ryan of Syracuse, at the Rialto
club, Rochester, N. Y., and Ryan got the
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A Warm Friend.
Foley's Colic Cure is very hot, but
when diluted it is a warm friend, in-
deed, to those suffering from bowel
complaints. It never fails. 25c and 50c.
H. W. Bell, N. L. Krohn.

The reports that secret negotiations of
great importance are being carried on be-
tween Spain and the United States in re-
gard to Cuba are denied at the state depart-
ment.

Unfortunate People
are they who while suffering from Kid-
ney Diseases are prejudiced against all
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that Foley's Kidney Cure is not a quick
remedy, but an honest guaranteed med-
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George King, of Normal, has invented
a pneumatic boot for sore-footed horses.

Croup and whooping cough are child-
hood's terrors; but like pneumonia,
bronchitis, and other throat and lung
troubles, can be quickly cured by using
One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner
& Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krohn.

The supreme council of the American
Protective association is holding its an-
nual meeting in Washington and continues
until Saturday. The meetings are held
in secret.

Unconditional surrender, is the only
term those famous little pills known as
DeWitt's Little Early Risers will make
with constipation, sick headache and
stomach troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son,
Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krohn.

Both the states of Iowa and Tennessee
have given formal authority to the sec-
retary of agriculture to conduct hog cholera
experiments in their territory this sum-
mer.

When Weak, Wary and Wasted
from Kidney Diseases, why not try
Foley's Kidney Cure, a guaranteed med-
icine. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krohn.

The comptroller of the currency has de-
clared a 20 per cent dividend in favor of
the creditors of the insolvent Dakota Na-
tional bank of Sioux Falls, S. D.

When the spring time comes, "gentle
Anne" like all other sensible persons,
will cleanse the liver and renovate the
system with DeWitt's Little Early
Risers, famous little pills for the liver
and stomach all the year round. A. J.
Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N.
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Herman Feud, a well known mer-
chant of Detroit, committed suicide by
taking poison. He was despondent over
business difficulties.

To Consumptives.
As an honest remedy, Foley's Honey
and Tar does not hold out false hopes
in advanced stages, but truthfully
claims to give comfort and relief in the
very worst case, and in the early stages
to effect a cure. H. W. Bell, N. L.
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The third rail electric railroad system
was tried on the New England tracks be-
tween Hartford and New Britain and is a
success.

When a cold is contracted, cure it at
once. One Minute Cough Cure will set
you on the road to recovery in a min-
ute. It will cure pneumonia, bron-
chitis, croup and all forms of lung and
throat troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son,
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HOME OF SPEEDY HORSES

Belle Meade Farm the Mecca of
Buyers and Breeders.

Yearlings That Are Well Cared for—
Kings of the Equine World, Each
of Which Dwells in an
Equine Palace.

[Copyright, 1897.]

Nashville, Tenn.—During the past 12
months there have been more visitors
to this city than any two previous years
combined can boast of. The immediate
attraction has been the Tennessee cen-
tennial exposition and allied interests,
but many a man and many a delegation
have accepted invitations to visit Nash-
ville because of the opportunity while
here of visiting the unexcelled stock
farms that may be found on almost
every road that traverses the rich blue
grass country hereabouts.

Interest in these farms is not confined
to breeders of fine stock nor to own-
ers and followers of race horses. Hun-
dreds of schoolgirls, delegations of
bankers and brokers, and delegates to
educational and labor associations visit
them and give vent to the same qual-
ity of admiration, though expressed in
various ways. It is the same love of
nature that moves them all, and
though the good judge of horse flesh
may wince at the expressed cause and
form of the schoolgirl's admiration, he
cannot deny that her pleasure in seeing
a fine horse is as keen as his own.

There are 20 magnificent estab-
lishments, at least, within the imme-
diate vicinity of Nashville that are
more or less famous for some kind of
live stock product, but the most fa-
mous of them all is Belle Meade, the
thoroughbred nursery of Gen. W. H.
Jackson. The people of Nashville feel
a sort of personal interest in this place
because Gen. Jackson has allowed them
to treat it almost as public property.
He has never been known to fail to ex-
tend courtesies to any party of visitors
that desired to see the beauties of his
establishment, and, whenever it is at
all practicable, he receives his visitors



AT THE BELLE MEADE FARM.

in person and personally explains the
fine points and details the records of
the famous line of stallions.

The heavy iron gate of Belle Meade
are always swung back on their massive
stone pillars in the daytime and the
double row of shade trees that guards
the main drive leading up to the house
seems to offer an invitation to all vis-
itors. The negroes on the place by long
habit and instruction are uniformly
courteous to visitors and they know
enough to answer all proper questions.

Just now the eyes of the racing world
are on the south and west. The march
of the grand circuit, which begins at
New Orleans and comes up through
Little Rock and Memphis to Nashville,
Louisville and the other racing towns,
is on. Practical horsemen are passing
through Nashville every day, coming
and going with their "strings," and
whenever one of them gets a chance, he
slips out to Belle Meade to get a glimpse
at the new crop of youngsters.

These youngsters are the especial
charges of Uncle Bob, the old negro
who has spent 72 years on the farm
and has done much of the actual work
of developing the splendid line of racers
that have borne Belle Meade pedigrees
to victory on every important track.
Bob is one of the features of the place
and he often assists and sometimes rep-
resents Gen. Jackson in the perform-
ance of the duties of host. He has
thoroughly mastered the graceful hos-
pitality that has characterized his suc-
cessive masters.

Bob is particularly proud of this
year's lot of youngsters and while show-
ing them the other day, he pointed
out one or two that are sure future
winners of the great eastern handicaps
and stakes, according to his view. Bob's
blind prejudice in favor of Belle Meade
vitiates his judgment of horses on the
track, but he had occasion a few years
ago to give a forceful illustration of his
deep knowledge of the running qual-
ities of a horse, and the racing world
has scarcely quit talking of it yet. On
the occasion in question there was a
scrubby-looking youngster in a lot of-
fered for sale that Gen. Jackson and
all expert horsemen called a counter-
feit. Bob insisted that the colt was a
good one and, when no one would make
a bid for him, he offered \$40 and was de-
clared the winner.

People laughed and called the ill-fa-
vored colt Uncle Bob. The old negro
trained the animal himself and two
years later Uncle Bob won the Amer-
ican Derby and that colt proved to be
one of the best horses of his time.

These Belle Meade yearlings are nur-
tured almost like human babies, and
there is little cause to wonder that they
should be, when it is remembered that
the sales often show an average of some-
thing like \$1,500.

There are thousands of followers of
the races who know little or nothing
of this farm, perhaps, who can recite
from memory the victories of some of
the great yearlings that Uncle Bob
has led into the ring. The list of heavy

winners that have gone out from Belle
Meade extends far beyond the recollec-
tion of the present generation, but the
youngest lover and patron of the turf
can recall the victories of the great
Tammeny, Richard Croker's horse, the
winner of the rich Realization stake in
record-breaking time.

It is probable that the victories of
Tammeny first interested Mr. Croker in
Belle Meade. At any rate, it is true
that he visited the farm about that
time and soon afterward became an as-
sociate of Gen. Jackson in the business.
Mr. Croker is half owner of the horses
at Belle Meade. For this interest, it is
said, he paid \$250,000. He does not own
any part of the farm and is not inter-
ested in the big dairy which brings a
handsome income.

Not so great as Tammeny, but in the
same class, G. W. Johnson, Helen Nich-
ols, Red Banner and Huron have rep-
resented Belle Meade in the great stakes
of recent years. Just before this lot
Proctor Knott went out from Uncle
Bob's care and electrified the racing
world by his sensational capture of the
first Futurity.

Proctor Knott won his first race at
the old West Side Driving park, the
site of the Tennessee Centennial expo-
sition, after he had jumped astride the
rail. It was a wonderful race, and that
horse never started again without car-
rying every cent the Tennessee contin-
gent could scrape together. His going
wrong in three-year-old form came to
thousands of Tennesseans like the
crushing of a political idol.

The stallions are installed in grassy
paddocks, each with a cozy little house
of its own, and the paddocks are
stretched along one side of a long grassy
lane that impresses the visitor very
much as an avenue of residences of
presidents would. Entering the lane
at the rear of the great residence the
houses of the sires are reached in the
following order: Longstreet, Inspector
B, Luke Blackburn, Troquois, Tremont,
Clarendon, Loyalist and Great Tom.
These names are familiar to all old race
followers as the winners of many rich
stakes in years gone by.

In the broad paddocks on the other

A WOMAN'S LIFE.

Many Private Troubles Borne
Without Complaint.

How many, think you, have any idea
of the suffering endured by a large pro-
portion of American women?

You will think us extravagant in ex-
pression, yet the fact remains, that dis-
eases of the uterus and ovarian trou-
bles are universal—you may note their
ravages in the pale faces you meet—
more marked indications are dizziness,
faintness, irritability, melancholy, ex-
treme lassitude, sleeplessness, severe
backache and disturbances of the
stomach. A Cincinnati girl says:—

"Words cannot express my gratitude
for the good that Lydia E. Pinkham's
Vegetable Compound has done for me.
I have taken five bottles. The pains in
my chest and abdomen have gone, my
step is more steady, appetite bet-
ter and feel better in every respect.
Menses heretofore lasted too long,
were very profuse and made me very
weak. The Compound is a miracle. I
had tried doctor's medicine, but of no
avail. I would not give up the Com-
pound for female complaints for all the
doctor's medicine in the world. My
friends want to know what makes me
look so well. I do not hesitate one
moment in telling them what has
brought about this wonderful change.
I cannot sing its praises enough. I
hope every one who suffers as I have,
will give Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound
a trial. It has helped me, and I know
that if taken according to directions it
will not only help but cure others.
Miss Grace Collard, 1434 Eastern Ave.,
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We put on sale to-day
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at less than manufactur-
er's cost. We need the
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J. M. Laster, aged 79 years, died at
McLeansboro, Ill. He was a member of
the Illinois constitutional convention in
1847.

Two Lives Saved.
Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City
Ill., was told by her doctors she had con-
sumption and that there was no hope for
her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New
Discovery completely cured her and she
says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers,
139 Florida street, San Francisco, suf-
fered from a dreadful cold, approaching
consumption, tried without result every-
thing else then bought one bottle of Dr.
King's New Discovery and in two weeks
was cured. He is naturally thankful.
It is such results, of which there are
samples that prove the wonderful ef-
ficacy of this medicine in Coughs and
Colds. At West's Drug Store.

August Norman, the Larimer, N. D.,
murderer of a week ago, was captured
twelve miles south of there in the sand
hills by Charles Kuban.

Have You Kidney Trouble?
A 50c trial bottle of Foley's Kidney
Cure will prevent serious results from
this unusually fatal disease. H. W. Bell,
N. L. Krohn.

Three thousand men were in line in a
torchlight parade given Tuesday evening
at Friedrichshagen, in honor of Prince Bi-
smarck.

Old People.
Old people who require medicine to
regulate the bowels and kidneys will
find the true remedy in Electric Bitters.
This medicine does not stimulate and
contains no whiskey or other intoxicant,
but acts as a tonic and alterative. It
acts mildly on the stomach and bowels,
adding strength and giving tone to the
organs, thereby aiding Nature in the
performance of the functions. Electric
Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids
digestion. Old people find it just ex-
actly what they need. Price fifty cents
and \$1 per bottle at West's drug store.

The Diamond Match company has sold
its Liverpool plant.

A Quack (?) Medicine.
There is a medicine whose proprietors
do not claim to have discovered some
hitherto unknown ingredient, or that it
is a cure-all. This honest medicine
only claims to cure certain diseases, and
that its ingredients are recognized by
the most skilled physicians as being the
best for Kidney and Bladder Diseases.
It is Foley's Kidney Cure. H. W. Bell,
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How to Utilize Diamonds.
"Why do you spend so much money
for diamonds?"
"I am putting them away for a rainy
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"How will diamonds help you then?"
"Oh, I can soak them." — Brooklyn
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Summer Union Suits at 50c a suit.
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Fine Figured Brilliantine Skirts, the
\$3.00 kind, at \$1.98.
Linen Crash Skirts, the cool skirt for
summer, at \$1.58; usually worth \$3.

Parasols.

An elegant Silk Twilled Parasol, 98c.
An extra fine Sun Umbrella, the \$2.50
kind, on sale at \$1.48 this week.

Shirt Waists.

Nice dainty Percales and Lawns, with
separate collars, at 49c.
Handsome Figured Dimities, made with
white separate collars, at 75c.
Lovely line of Sheer Dimities and
Mulls in waists, the \$1.50 and \$2.00
kind, at 98c.
Ladies' Oxford Low Shoes—a nice line
at 98c a pair.
Shirt Waist Sets—Nice new assortment
at 25c set.
Men's Summer Undershirts and Draw-
ers at 25c each.
Ribbons at 20c—One lot fine Taffeta
Figured Silk Ribbons, 3/4 and 4/4
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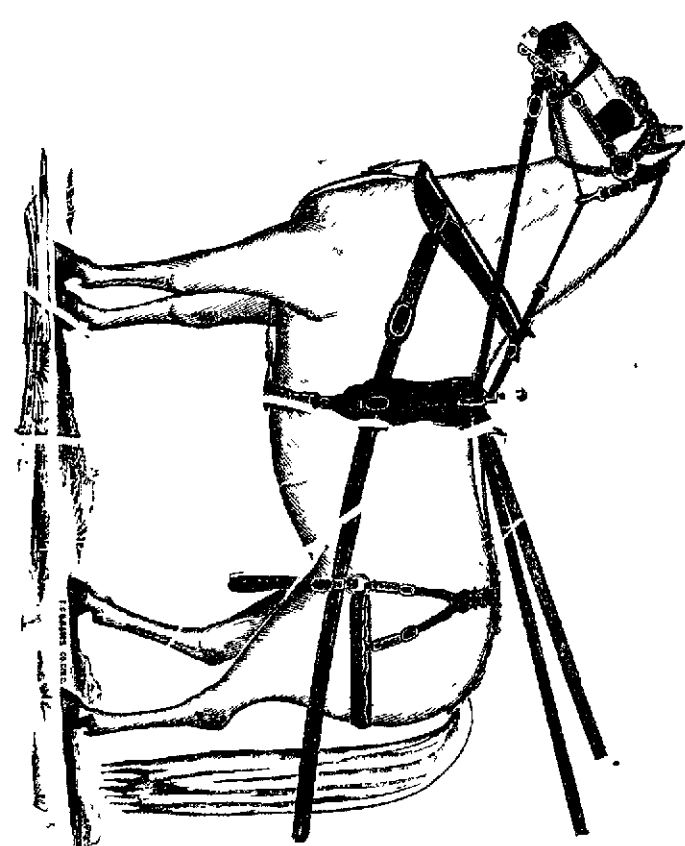
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Our Neighbors

Dalton City.

Hon. D. P. Kellar, of Moweaqua, was a visitor here Tuesday.

Pat Henneberry visited Decatur Monday.

Mrs. Con McCarthy visited Decatur Monday.

Mike Duggan, of Decatur, visited friends here Sunday.

Miss Kate Kelly, of Decatur, visited the family of James Nolan over Sunday.

Ed Mulvey transacted business in Decatur Tuesday.

Billy Bell as on our streets Tuesday.

Thomas Walton, of Bethany, was a business visitor Tuesday.

A. S. Clark transacted business in Decatur Tuesday.

Miss Mary Duggan gave a party at her home last Friday evening to a large number of her friends. All enjoyed a pleasant time. Music was furnished by John Taylor's orchestra.

In the case of Mary A. Duggan against A. S. Clark, which came up last Friday, May 7, in Sullivan, there were a large number who attended the trial.

Rev. Father O'Rourke visited Decatur Tuesday.

Miss Agnes Mulvey visited Decatur over Sunday.

Harry Christy and wife, of the Wizard Oil company, gave a fine entertainment here the past week in the opera house. The show was well attended every night. They left on Tuesday for Macon, where they will hold their entertainment the coming week.

Oreana.

Bert Glens and family, of Alvin, Ill., returned home Tuesday after a visit with friends and relatives in this vicinity.

A number of young folks from Oreana attended the entertainment given by the I. O. O. F. lodge at Forsyth Thursday evening.

G. W. Hall, of Decatur, was in Oreana Tuesday.

Mrs. C. F. James and children visited relatives near Argenta Sunday.

Miss Liza Smeethers, of Decatur, visited her sister, Mrs. C. F. James, Saturday.

Strope and Moothart are shelling corn this week.

Misses Anna and Ida Strope visited relatives in Argenta Saturday.

Mrs. Rambo, of Decatur, visited relatives near Oreana last week.

Dr. Evans, of Philadelphia, Pa., was a caller in Oreana Tuesday.

Rev. Hicks, of Arthur, preached at the Baptist church last Sunday morning and evening.

Rev. Shanklin, of Normal, will preach at the Christian church next Sunday morning and evening.

J. H. Moothart and wife were Decatur visitors last Friday.

Marion.

Miss Ethel Holloway, who has been visiting Miss Bertha Blanchard, left Thursday for her home in Janesville, Wis.

Mrs. Jason Rogers, of Decatur, and Mrs. H. D. Spencer, of Bloomington, were in Marion Thursday.

Dr. C. A. McLean and wife spent Sunday in Marion with relatives.

Raymond Bowden and Miss Lotta Crowell went to Clinton Friday to see Walter Weddle, who is very sick.

The Epworth League tendered Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Kemp a farewell reception in the parlors of the M. E. church Saturday evening. The affair was under the management of Miss Jane Knot, assisted by Misses Dora Champney, Nellie and Lizzie Cade, Grace Fry and Mae Swan. Refreshments consisting of cake and coffee were served in the banquet room.

The entertainment given by the Eastern Star on Friday evening at Masonic hall was well patronized. The floor work by the ladies was good. An entertaining program was given after which refreshments consisting of cake and coffee were served in the banquet room.

E. L. Kemp and family left Sunday for their new home at Pana.

Miss Mary Brown, of Heyworth, is drilling the junior class for their rhetorical on Wednesday evening.

B. F. Shipley went to Chicago on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Costello entertained a few friends in honor of John Malone, on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Lydia Bolen is among the sick.

Dan Kessler spent Sunday with relatives at Greencastle, Ind.

George Bowzer, of Monmouth, Kan., visited old Marion friends a few days last week.

Dr. Ray Coddington, of Atwood, will assist Dr. Anderson in dental work this summer. Branch offices will be opened at Kenney, Waldon and Argenta, to each of which regular visits will be made.

Mrs. William Moore, of New Berlin, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John Clough, returned to her home Thursday.

Miss Anna Lowe, of Harriestown, visited Mrs. David Rainey a few days last week.

Miss Etta Camp, of Chicago, spent Sunday with her mother in this city.

A. B. Ford and Mrs. I. D. Enrick have returned from a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Barndt, at Galesburg.

The junior class will give a rhetorical at the opera house on Wednesday evening. An admission of 10 cents will be charged.

The program is:

Voluntary—Jessie Bennett.

Invocation—Elder Lloyd Newcomer.

Essay, "Functuality"—Florence Bennett.

Recitation, "Famer and Wheel; or the New Lochinvar"—Maude Moon.

Vocal duet, "Fly away Birding"—Jessie and Florence Bennett.

"Over the Alps Lies Thine Italy"—Nellie Barr.

"Woman's Mission"—Fern Funk.

"The First Settler's Story"—Mattie Sterling.

Instrumental solo—Jessie Bennett.

Debate, "Resolved, That men are mentally superior to women." Affirmative—Bert Corvill and Clarence Leach; negative, Florence Swan and Ida Mayall.

Address—President of the Board of Education B. F. Shipley.

Paper—J. G. Kellar, county superintendent.

Musio—Junior class.

Benediction—Rev. Preston Wood.

Beardsdale.

T. S. Hummel closes his school today, the usual big dinner being postponed until next year on account of everyone being so busy.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown and Mrs. Flora Lebew, of Warrensburg, visited with Mrs. Campbell yesterday.

Mrs. Cora Berkstresser, of Martinville, Ill., is here to attend the Women's mission meeting and visit old friends.

C. C. Hall and Mr. Landis visited Jim and Will Landis near Kenney Sunday.

Quite a number of our young people were pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Major last Friday night.

Will Conradt spent Sunday with Earle Braaten.

Our annual mission meeting which is being held at Bolling Spring is quite well attended by people from all parts of the state as well as our home people. The meetings both tonight and tomorrow will be especially interesting.

Five young people from Decatur, friends of Miss Myrtle Bear, rode out on their wheels Sunday morning to spend the day with her. How bad they must have felt when the heavy rain came and they all had to go home in the big wagon.

Our agent is doing his part toward making our town attractive. He has planted sunflower seed in his garden near the depot.

Casner.

Several farmers commenced planting corn Saturday, but it has been too wet to plant since.

The rain Sunday was welcomed by the farmers as the ground was getting hard.

S. S. Nicholson has received the appointment as postmaster at Long Creek.

Mrs. Burrows, of Minnesota, attended her mother's funeral and visited a few days with relatives.

Assessor G. W. Flory is making the annual rounds and various dispositions of dogs are accordingly being made.

Henry Lichtenberger and wife of North Fork visited Casner Sunday school Sunday and dined with M. W. Patterson. Mr. Lichtenberger is township president.

The excursion to Indianapolis was very poorly patronized from here, only about four going.

L. B. Casner, of Decatur, spent some days here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Underwood visited their daughter, Mrs. Jolley, of Cerro Gordo, Monday.

John Phipps and wife and Abram Bushart, of Danville, attended the funeral of M. S. Bushart last Friday.

Since the Daily Republican now comes out on the afternoon train we think we are ahead of Decatur people in getting the news.

The third quarterly meeting of Casner church was held Saturday and Sunday at Adkin's chapel. Rev. J. A. F. King, P. E., had charge of the services.

L. L. Underwood and family, of Decatur, visited Sunday with his parents near here. A number of other relatives also took dinner there.

Martin Lindsay, of Long Creek, is at work on the Tobill store now being erected. It is being put up south of the Odd Fellows' hall.

County Surveyor George V. Loring was out Monday surveying our village and found some lots occupied by the wrong parties. A mistake was made when the buildings were erected.

Died, at the family residence, one mile east of here, Mrs. Susanna Eubank, on Wednesday, May 5, aged 66 years, 4 months and 13 days. Her maiden name was Susanna Hoek. She was born near Lima, Ohio, January 28, 1831. She married William Bushart of Allen county, Ohio, and they came to Moultrie county, Illinois, and after one year came to Macon county where she has since resided except an interval of two years. Her husband enlisted in the cause of the Union in 1863 and was killed in the Vicksburg campaign in 1863. She leaves eight children, four sons and four daughters, to mourn her loss. They are J. M., of Harvey City; Abram, of Danville; W. H., of Dalton, D. L., of Casner; Mrs. Mary Boyer, of near Cerro Gordo; Mrs. Eliza Burrows, of Hatfield, Minn.; Mrs. Susie Phipps, of Danville, and Mrs. John Ditty, of Casner. She was a member of Casner U. B. church and died giving evidence of her unswerving faith in her Lord. The interment took place at La Place cemetery, Rev. Arnold conducting the funeral ceremonies.

Zimmerman is but 28 years of age, so that he is by no means old enough to be a genuine has-been.

Sel Riley, of Danville, has a "human faced" hen for which he has refused \$25.

There are 1425 characters in the 24 books that Dickens wrote.

Nearly every one has read Du Maurier's story of "Trilby" and how she lived for years under the hypnotic spell of "Svengali" and then broke the spell only to die. There are tens of thousands of women to-day living under the spell of a "Svengali" from which they will only awaken to die. Their "Svengali" is ill-health. The woman who neglects to take care of her health in a womanly way is living under a spell of false security from which she may only awaken when it is time to die. The woman who wishes to be strong and healthy in her womanly self can easily become so by taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It cures all weakness and disease of the child-bearing organs, and makes it healthy and vigorous. It fits for wifehood and motherhood. It banishes the qualms of the period of solicitude, makes baby's advent easy and almost painless, and insures the health of the newborn. All honest druggists recommend it.

"I have taken both Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and 'Favorite Prescription' and followed his advice, sent in answer to my letter to him, for chronic inflammation of the uterus and bladder," writes Mrs. W. M. Scott, of Park Rapids, Hubbard Co., Minn. "I also had stomach trouble which was terribly distressing. I have been cured of all by his valuable medicine and advice. I had suffered untold misery for four years previous to taking his treatment, but began to feel the good effects at once."

"The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser" has had the largest sale of any medical work in the English language.

Nearly 700,000 copies of it were sold at \$1.50 each, and now half a million more are being sent away—absolutely free. The book consists of 1008 pages, and is a complete medical library in one volume. It will be sent (postpaid) to any one sending 21 one-cent stamps to cover the cost of mailing, and to the World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y. If French cloth, embossed binding is desired, send 25 cents extra. (5 cents in all) to pay the extra cost of this more handsome and durable binding.

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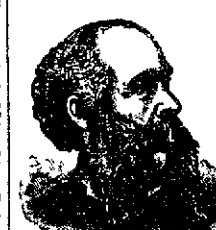
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my entire attention and skill will be devoted to my
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for the money than other dealers.
Best Work Shirts in the City for 50c.
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WABASH EXCURSIONS.
The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets
at greatly reduced rates to the following
points:
On May 14th and 18th, settlers' one way tickets
to points south at very low rates.
Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all
stations east of Mississippi River, except to
points north of Bement on Chicago Division,
Sundays at very low rates—good going and
returning Sunday only.
Home-seekers' excursion to principal points
in the west, northwest, south and southwest
on the first and third Tuesdays of every month,
at one fare plus round trip ticket, good re-
turning every Tuesday and Friday within three
weeks. Stop overs granted on going trip.
Normal, Baptist annual meeting, Frederick
Mt. June 3.
Grand Army of the Republic, Buffalo, N. Y.,
August 24 to 26th.
I. O. O. F. Young People's Union, Chattanooga,
Tenn., in July.
National Educational Association, Milwaukee,
July 10 to 14th.
Twenty-second Bunde Tent Fest, St. Louis
May 1 to 11th.
Loyal Legion, Toronto, to July.
German League, Old order, Roseville, Ind.,
June 1 to 10th.
National Centennial and International Ex-
position, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Oct. 31st,
Detroit, Mich., account Nobles of the Mystic
Shrine, June 1 to 10.
Warfare, Ind. account General Assembly
Presbyterian Church, one fare round trip.
Tickets sold May 17th to 25th, good returning
June 7th.
Excursion to the celebrated castle country.
The American Land Company of St. Louis, Mo.
When large tracts of land near Houston and
Galveston, Tex., are sold, the company will
have a thorough list of land that they will refund
the railroad fare of any parties who go down on
the excursion of May 14th and 18th who may
purchase land of them and who purchase the
Wabash line to St. Louis or Kansas
(at choice) tickets from those points. One
fare plus 5c for the round trip.
For full information regarding dates of sale
tickets, rates, maps and descriptive
literature, mail, write or apply to C. C. Fol-
low, passenger and ticket agent Wabash rail-
road, Decatur, Ill.

Heart Disease Diseases of the heart
which have become alarm-
ingly frequent. There are few diseases of the
human system more calculated to fill the mind
with serious apprehensions than wrong action
of the heart. The importance of seeking from
the varied phenomena which present them-
selves the true cause of the impairment and
care should be our first concern. This affliction,
either functional or structural, is almost in-
variably cured by my treatment.

Cancer We cure this terrible affliction by
eradicating the disease from the
system. No cutting.
A Business Point I have never
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Rug Weaving....

Now is the time to have
rugs woven from your old In-
grain or Brussels carpet. Can
weave any width up to three
yards wide.

We are also prepared to
weave Silk Curtains.

CHAS. PFISTER,
South Side Lincoln Square, 2d Floor.

Notice in Attachment.

Edward L. Pegram vs. Chas. H. Knipfle and
Maria L. Knipfle, Deceased.
Public notice is hereby given that suit in at-
tachment has been commenced in the above en-
titled cause against the estate of the said de-
fendant in the circuit court of Macon county,
Illinois, that said attachment is returnable to
the June term, 1897, of said court, that said at-
tachment was filed in said court on the 11th day
of May, 1897, and that said attachment is not
returnable to the June term of said court, and that
said attachment is for the sum of Ninety-eight and 21-100
Dollars. Now, therefore, summons you the said
Chas. H. Knipfle and Maria L. Knipfle, defend-
ants, shall appear, give bail and plead within the
time limited for your appearance in said case,
and if you fail to do so, the estate of the said
deceased will be sold, and the estate so
attached will be sold.
Dated this 22d day of April, A. D. 1897.
D. L. FOSTER, Clerk of said Court.
April 23-47

VANDALIA LINE EXCURSIONS.

California via New Orleans. Pullman buffet
sleepers every Tuesday and Saturday night from
Chicago, connecting with the Southern Pacific's
"Sunset Limited" for Los Angeles and San
Francisco. Pullman tourist sleeper every Wed-
nesday, through without change from Chicago
to San Francisco.
On the first and third Tuesdays of each
month settlers' one way tickets to points south
at very low rates.
Winter tourist rates now on sale to the
principal winter resorts in the south and south-
west.
Home-seekers' excursions to principal points
in the west, northwest, south and southwest,
on the first and third Tuesdays of every month,
at one fare plus round trip ticket, good re-
turning every Tuesday and Friday within three
weeks. Stop overs granted on going trip.
For rates, time of trains, etc., address J. C.
Mills, agent, P. O. Box 11, St. Louis, Mo.
Agent, Union Depot, Decatur, Ill.
Telephone 575.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.

Excursion rates to and from Chicago every
Saturday and Sunday. One fare round trip.
Tickets good going Saturday afternoon and re-
turning Monday morning.
Winter tourist rates now on sale to points
south and southwest.
Home-seekers' excursions to principal points
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COLONIZING NATIONS.

No Country So Successful as Great Britain.

A Japanese paper, the Yozoku-Choho, asks: "What, pray have the Anglo-Saxons done when colonizing? Where are the Tasmanians? How many 'black fellows' and Maoris are alive to-day? Where are the wretched inhabitants of the islands along the eastern littoral of British North America? Where are the Hurons, Iroquois, Mengwees, Chipewas? Gone from the face of the globe. Yes, the Anglo-Saxons have been successful colonizers. Their simple custom is to sweep away the aboriginal inhabitants of any desirable site and then enslave themselves in well-earned content on the soil."

Such is the opinion of a journal of Japan. However this may be, England is to-day the only European government, except Holland, which has a larger colony than a home population. The total population of the British empire, including British protectorates in Asia and Africa, was 382,000,000 by the last census, while the total population of Great Britain by the same census was only 38,000,000, or ten per cent. In other words, the colonial possessions of Great Britain were nine times larger than the home country in respect to population. Russia has extended to the east and south its imperial boundaries. France, in concert with England, has acquired new colonies in Asia and Africa. Portugal, Denmark and Holland have retained big colonies abroad; though the extent of the colonies of the first have been declining of late years, while the proportion of colonists to home inhabitants in Holland has declined during the last two centuries. But England keeps steadily increasing and, of late, there has been an addition to the number of English colonies, while, on the other hand, the Spanish colonies, in respect to area and population, have been declining.

Curiously enough, Italy, which has an overflowing population, and has contributed to the United States, to the Argentine republic and to other American states thousands of hardy immigrants, has, in fact, no colonies of her own, and the effort to establish a protectorate in Abyssinia has ended disastrously. Still another European country which would seem to have many facilities for colonizing is Austria, but there are no Austrian colonies, and no serious expansion of the empire in any direction. There is no accounting for the existence of a "colonizing spirit" among nations. One extends its powers and authority; an adjacent country doesn't. Sweden, for instance, has for many years maintained colonies in various parts of the world. Norway, which joins it, never has, though the Norwegians are, perhaps, better sailors even than the Swedes. Holland has always been a colonizing country, and at testation of this is to be found in the city of New York. Belgium was not a colonizing country until recently, and when the two were associated together the Belgian provinces of Holland contributed but few colonizers. There have been many immigrants from Switzerland; there have been no Swiss colonies. The Mohammedan Turks never have. There have been Greek settlements, but no Greek colonies. The Anglo-Saxons, however, outrank all others in respect to colonization, the English and Scotch especially.—Detroit Free Press.

KAISER WOULD BE A CZAR.

Expulsion on His Subjects Keeps Their Tongues Tied.

There is something specially degrading about espionage, especially when practiced by a national government, as it is in Germany. This was brought vividly before me by the following incident: One day there dined with me, in a public restaurant in Berlin, an aged clerkman and his wife. The former had occupied the same pulpit for over 40 years, had proved a father to his parish, and in all ways had served his country nobly; while the latter had for the same length of time been a very great blessing to her neighborhood for many leagues around. In the course of conversation I asked him how he felt about the emperor's policy.

Before replying to me, he turned and looked anxiously about him in all directions, and then said: "If Fritz had lived ten years longer things would have been different." When I asked: "Were you looking about for anything?" he said: "No; but one never knows who may be listening; and it would go hard with me if it were known that I expressed such opinions." To my surprise, I then learned that Berlin was full of spies of all sorts, ready to catch and report to the authorities the slightest word reflecting unfavorably upon the emperor, his family, or his actions; and that on such reports many persons, especially young men, had been seized by the police and kept in prison for months—one, because, in the heat of discussion, he had said the emperor was a schafkopf! When I asked my guests what they thought of such a system, they looked mysterious and declined to reply.—Prof. Davidson, in Forum.

Sources of Platinum.

Most of the world's supply of platinum comes from the southern part of the Ural mountains in Russia. According to the report of the Russian ministry of finance, the increased demand for the metal in 1895 raised the price for the raw material to nearly \$500 a pound, and yet only 9,700 pounds were produced during the year. In fact, the production fell off largely from that of the preceding year. Platinum is also found in California, in South America and in Borneo. It was first heard of in Europe in 1735, when Ullioa, a Spanish explorer, carried home specimens from Peru.—Youth's Companion.

To Be Envious.

Mrs. Sapley—Yes, I have 27 first-cousins.
Little Willie—Gee! What a lot of funerals you'll have to go to!—N. Y. Truth.

People's Column.

Advertisements forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 75 cents per week, payable invariably in advance.

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted. Etc.

WANTED.

WANTED—Some stock to pasture near Wyke's Station, at reasonable prices. Apply to William Holly, on the premises.

WANTED—Some Show Cases. Address FOLLARD & COUTHERY, N. St. Charles, May 8-47

WANTED—Young or middle-aged man to travel in this and adjoining counties; permanent position; salary \$50 a month and expenses; good chance to double this in six months or less. SHEPP COMPANY, No. 1620 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa. April 22-47

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and work guaranteed. Call on D. M. SMITH, West and Fifth street car line. Feb 19-47

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Drug Store in Danville, Ill. W. E. LINDSEY. 8-46

FOR SALE—A Piano, in first-class condition. To see the piano and learn particulars call at 328 North College street. 8-46

FARMS FOR SALE—Over three thousand acres of farm lands in Champaign, Macon, Monticue and Piatt counties, Ill., being a portion of the celebrated State lands, well guaranteed. Terms, etc., call on or address S. S. JACK, Agent, Decatur, Ill. May 11-46

I HAVE FOR SALE on easy terms, farm lands from 100 to 30,000 acres, ranging in price from \$250 to \$2000 per acre, in every county in the state of Georgia. For description, location and price, see John S. Campbell & Co., 102 East Prairie street. 6-47

FOR SALE—5 acres of land, good 4-room new house, new barn, etc., on gravel road, east end of Decatur; \$1700 buys it; possession given immediately. Apply to PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-47

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—The Howard Barn on East Main street. Good stand and low rent. Apply to JOHN A. BROWN. 8-47

FOR RENT—70 acres fine blue grass pasture. Plenty of water all seasons. For terms apply to Bunn & Park, 192 E. Prairie avenue. 4-46

TO RENT—Cheap, one four-room and one six-room house, stone place, West Green st. CLARK & SCHROLL, Room 22 Arcade. April 17-47

SUITS OF ROOMS FOR RENT, at moderate price, with steam heat and all conveniences, to people of unquestionable reputation; no need of advertisement. Apply to J. H. BROWN, Agent, offices 5, 6, 7, Gallagher Block. April 10-47

MONEY TO LOAN.

BEST—Lowest commission. Prepayment privileges. Money ready when papers are accepted. Don't wait for a loan until you get my terms. O. E. GIVEN, 605 Millikin Bank Building. Oct 28-47

ALBERT T. SUMMERS,

—LOAN BROKER—

All Classes of Loans Negotiated.
145 North Water Street, DECATUR, ILL.

LOANS PEGRAM & CO.,
Room One, over Citizen's Nat. Bank.

SAMUEL M'BRIDE

LOANS AND SECURITIES.

ROOMS 702-4.

MILLIKIN BANK BLDG.,

DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

MONEY TO LOAN—I have money to loan on real estate, property and farms with or without title. Apply to George W. Ehrhart, Real Estate and Loans, Room 10, Opera Block. July 7-47

MISCELLANEOUS.

NOTICE—I have resigned my position with the Wabash Railroad, and will leave for Chicago at the Decatur Carpenters' Works on Washington avenue, where I am prepared to lay carpets and renovate rugs. A. L. BROCKWAY, 24 North College street. 11-47

SALESMAN WANTED for cigars; \$35 a day and expenses. Apply to C. G. MORGAN & CO., Ft. Wayne, Ind. 7-46

THE "Dollar Special" cabinet photo is still being made. \$1.00 per dozen. Photos shown. Accuracy and permanency guaranteed. Dark prints and negatives. East End Gallery, 107 E. Eldorado St. Dec. 30-47

IF YOU WANT TO BUY A HOME in the city of Decatur, or a good farm you will consult your own interest by seeing John S. Campbell, for they have got the best bargains at prices and terms that will suit you. 102 Prairie street, rooms 1 and 2. 6-47

SALESMAN—\$1 a day. No canvassing. No deliveries. No collections. Samples free. Side line or exclusive. Mrs. 384 Market St., Phila. April 13-47

A GOOD CHANCE to trade your Nebraska land for Decatur lots. Call on Clark & Schroll, Room 22 Arcade. April 17-47

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Decatur, Ill., 2nd floor, Bervin Building, North Main street.

TWO FINE CORNER LOTS in "King's Orchard," clear of encumbrances; \$1700 buys them, or will trade for house of equal value. Look this up. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main st. Feb 16-47

\$700 buys new three-room house, one acre of land, first choice bearing fruit trees, all on gravel road on the outskirts of Decatur. Write to Mr. H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-47

\$225 buys one lot on North Union street, 40x20. What's the matter with this? nothing—only the owner needs money. Write to Mr. H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-47

STRAIGHT TICKETS to all parts of Europe, at the lowest prices. For further information call at office. PETER H. BRUECK, Agent Hamburg-American Line, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-47

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. RACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-47

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old well re-lined with good dry rock, and I want one from two inches to three feet, 725 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. 6-47

THE Blue Grass Carriage Shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost. If repairs or repainting is necessary for spring or summer work, call on me. Ret. Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Jan 21-47

PANSIES, Verbenas, Gladiolus, Tuberoses, Gladiolus, Canas and Hardy Roses should be planted now. A fine stock of same can be had at N. BOMBERGER'S. April 21-47

RHEUMATISM CURED—For the past nine years I have suffered intensely with rheumatism and neuralgia. The last attack was very severe. After suffering for some time I was induced by a friend to take Corrodon (Cayenne) in a short time. I recommend them to all who suffer with rheumatism or neuralgia. R. O. ROSEN, Architect, Decatur, Ill. April 25-47

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.

COUNTY OF MACON, ss.

In the Circuit Court, to the June Term, A. D. 1897.

W. B. Tyler vs. Samuel W. Stookey, Ida M. Stookey, James M. Stookey, Maud Ortega, Charles Ortega, Virginia Mitchell, John Mitchell, A. T. Bixley, J. W. Brown, Robert Elliott, Carrie Elliott, George A. Melhorn and Mattie A. Melhorn—Summons in Chancery, No. 16,425.

Public notice is hereby given that the complainant in the above entitled cause has heretofore commenced his suit in chancery against the above named defendants, and that summons has been issued to the sheriff of Macon county, Illinois, and returned not found as to the said Samuel W. Stookey, Ida M. Stookey, James M. Stookey, Maud Ortega, Charles Ortega, Virginia Mitchell, John Mitchell and J. W. Brown, and that said Samuel W. Stookey, Ida M. Stookey, James M. Stookey, Maud Ortega, Charles Ortega, Virginia Mitchell, John Mitchell and J. W. Brown are now residents of the State of Illinois, and that the said cause is now pending and undetermined in the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois.

Now unless you the said Samuel W. Stookey, Ida M. Stookey, James M. Stookey, Maud Ortega, Charles Ortega, Virginia Mitchell, John Mitchell and J. W. Brown shall personally be and appear before the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, on the first day of the June term to be held at the court house in the City of Decatur, Macon county, State of Illinois, on the 1st Monday of June, being the 7th day of June, A. D. 1897, and plead, answer or demur to said bill of complaint, the same and the matters and things therein contained will be taken for confessed and a decree rendered against you in accordance with the prayer of said bill of complaint. Dated this 22d day of April, A. D. 1897. D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.

MACON COUNTY, ss.

In the Circuit Court, to the June Term, 1897.

Charles B. T. Moore, Helen Johns Moore, his wife, Harry M. Moore, unmarried, and Joseph M. Moore, executor of the last will and testament of Jesse H. Moore, deceased, vs. William E. Moore, Mary M. Moore, Mary Alice McComas, Charles C. McComas, Helen F. Saunders, James F. Saunders, Sarah J. H. Steele, George H. Steele, and Columbus Williams—in Chancery, No. 16,425.

And that William E. Moore, Mary M. Moore, Mary Alice McComas, Charles C. McComas, Helen F. Saunders, James F. Saunders, Sarah J. H. Steele, George H. Steele, and Columbus Williams—in Chancery, No. 16,425, shall be and appear before the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, on the 1st Monday of June, being the 7th day of June, A. D. 1897, and plead, answer or demur to said bill of complaint, the same and the matters and things therein contained will be taken for confessed and a decree rendered against you in accordance with the prayer thereof.

Dated this 27th day of April, A. D. 1897. W. C. Johns, Complainant's Solicitor. April 27-47

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.

MACON COUNTY, ss.

In the Circuit Court, to the June Term, A. D. 1897.

Miles K. Young, Receiver of the Illinois Building and Loan Association, of Bloomington, Illinois, vs. E. M. Weygant, William L. Johnson and Albert T. Summers, in Chancery, No. 15,725.

And that E. M. Weygant, one of the defendants above named, is a non-resident of the State of Illinois, having since filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of said county, and summons having been issued against the above named defendants to the sheriff of Macon county, which has been returned as against the said E. M. Weygant, notice is hereby given that the above named complainant heretofore filed his bill of complaint in said court, on the 1st Monday of June, A. D. 1897, being the 7th day of June, A. D. 1897, and that the said cause is now pending and undetermined in the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, and that the said cause is now pending and undetermined in the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, and that the said cause is now pending and undetermined in the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois.

Now unless you the said E. M. Weygant, shall be and appear before said court, and plead, answer or demur to said bill of complaint, the same and the matters and things therein contained will be taken for confessed and a decree rendered against you according to the prayer thereof.

All the New Spring Novelties, JUST RECEIVED.

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LORGNETTE CHAINS,
In Silver and Gold.

Silver and Gold Chain Pocketbooks.

SHIRT WAIST SETS,

In Endless Varieties, in Silver and Gold,
From 25 Cents to \$2.50 a Set.

THE FINEST LINE OF BELTS

We have ever had; not the cheap kind,
but sure enough *Leather Belts*, with
Leather Covered Buckles, in all lengths.

We can Please You we are Sure.

PLEASE INSPECT THE LINES.

Otto E. Curtis & Bro.,

Jewelers and Dealers in Fine China.

Our House has been Established Over 20 Years at
156 EAST MAIN STREET.

Comfort and Elegance

are as oil and water to most
shoes—they will not mix.
The secret of the popularity
of the men's shoes that we
sell is that they combine
these qualities.

We will sell you a pair of
shoes that will fit you as if
made for you, will be as easy
as an old pair and will last
you longer than any you ever
bought elsewhere at the same
price.



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CORSETS.

Do You Wear Them?

If so, why not buy one from a first
class assorted stock, embracing the pop-
ular brands,



P. D. CORSETS.....AMERICAN LADY.
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No. 335.....FLEXO GIRDLE.
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SUMMER CORSETS

in White and Drab, in Bolting Cloth and Imported Nettings
Dress Form, &c., from 49c up.

H. C. Anthony

DECATUR, ILL.

King's Soda Fountain

Is now open for the season, in
charge of a Soda Expert.

**Largest and Finest
Fountain in the City.**

Cor. Main and Water Sts.

LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.
Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made
by Jacob Kook.

Irwin's harmless headache powder cures
in 15 minutes.
The play at the Grand tonight will be
"Tried and True."

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of
bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-23
Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent
cigar, made by John Walgaard. Mob 25 ct.

The further hearing of evidence in the
Farmers' bank assignment case will be
resumed in the county court tomorrow.
After May 15th we close at 7 p. m.
Pearl Oyster and Fish Co. Telephone
344.

Look out for the flower thieves. Watch
for them. Then call out the blood-
hounds.

It's all fixed at last. Decatur is to have
games of ball this summer at the Edward
street park.

Roger & Gallet's violet perfume, special
price of sixty-five cents an ounce at West's
Drug store.—13d1w

On and after June 1st we will close on
Sunday. Pearl Oyster and Fish Co.
Telephone 344.

The regular meeting of Cour de Leon
lodge, No. 17, Knights of Pythias, will be
held this evening.

Next Monday night a musicale will be
given at the home of Mrs. J. K. Love for
the benefit of the Sunday school of the
College street chapel.

Special press on Roger & Gallet's vio-
lets, sixty-five cents per ounce. West's
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Ask your druggist for the German
Catarrh Cure, a positive cure for ca-
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Imported perfumes, toilet preparations,
smelling salts, rouges, manoures supplies
just received at West's Drug store; low
prices on everything.—13d1w

New pianos, fully warranted for five
years, \$187, \$148, \$168, \$187 and \$208.
Terms, \$30 cash and \$7 per month. A
chance of a lifetime. Phillips & Wood.

The members of the Briar Missionary
society of the College street chapel held
their regular monthly meeting this after-
noon at the home of Miss Williams on
West William street.

The Grand Army committee are ac-
tively engaged in making preparations for
Memorial day. There are many
things to be done and all will be attended
to promptly.

One hundred planes and organs at fac-
tory cost. Just think of it. Call and be
convinced that we are actually closing
out our stock to settle our partnership
affairs. Now is the time, 331 North Wa-
ter street, the place. Phillips & Wood.

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in bulk. No. 323 North Main street.
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At the services which will be held by
the members of the Young Men's Sunday
Evening club at the Congregational
church next Sunday night vocal solos will
be rendered by Asa Somerville and Mrs.
Alice Freeman Spalding of Champaign.

Roger & Gallet's perfumes, sachet pow-
ders, face powders, almond meal, perfum-
ing pastilles, just received at West's Drug
store.—13d1w

The Cross Roads school closed on May
13 with a picnic at which a fine dinner
was served, supplemented by a program
of exercises. All had a good time. This
closes M. C. Lintzheim's second term at
the Cross Roads. He is retained as teach-
er for the ensuing term.

Yesterday afternoon the Dughters of
the American Revolution met at the home
of Mrs. S. S. Jack and discussed colonial
history. By request Mrs. E. R. Ken-
nedy read again her excellent paper on
colonial history, and Mrs. V. N. Hostetler
discussed the battle of Concord. The
next meeting of the society will be at the
home of Mrs. Hostetler.

There is still a great deal of work to be
done at the new rooms of the public li-
brary. The carpenters have finished put-
ting in the new book shelves and counter.
Some of the wood work is to be varnished
and the chandeliers are yet to be put in
place. The librarian and her assistants
will re-arrange all the books and as this
will take many days it is not likely that
the library will be opened before the last
of this month or the first of June.

Garden Seeds.
Just received a large stock of all kinds
of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden
seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s.—
Jan 9-2d&wt

CYCLONE Insurance in first-class com-
panies. J. L. Drake, over F. O.

Death of a Child.
The infant son of Alois Moser and wife
died at the family home, 400 South Frank-
lin street, Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock,
at the age of 9 days. The funeral services
were held at the German Catholic church
this afternoon at 2:30. The interment
was in the Catholic cemetery.

Changes of Ownership.
Joseph Miel is now the owner of the
store building on North Water street oc-
cupied jointly by J. Chodat, newsdealer,
and Ed Dennz, the tailor. The consid-
eration was \$14,000. Mr. Miel bought the
property of A. G. Webber.

Joseph B. Smallwood has bought the
Rehling property at the corner of East
Main and Franklin streets for \$5000.
Mrs. J. T. Winslow, late of Warrens-
burg, has purchased the A. T. Summers
residence on West William street. Con-
sideration \$7000.

In Hard Luck.
Miss Ina Thomas and Miss Mildred
Belford, members of the Duncan Clarke
society combination on its way from
Clinton to Taylorville, were stranded in
Decatur yesterday afternoon. They went
to Marshal Mason, desiring him to aid
them in getting their trunks from the
grasp of Clarke, but the trunks had gone
on to Taylorville and nothing could be
done. The young women went to Man-
ager Given with their hard luck story,
and they also awakened the interest of
the members of the Holden company.
Mr. and Mrs. Given supplied the girls
with articles for wear and the Holden peo-
ple contributed \$5. The girls went to
Taylorville where they will appeal to the
law for possession of their trunks and will
have the box receipts attached to secure
all or a portion of their back salary.

Despoilers of Flowers.
A bold and despicable sample of human
vandalism came to light this morning at
the home of ex-Alderman and Mrs. Gus
Ahrens in the 500 block on South Broad-
way. Mrs. Ahrens had devoted several
weeks time to the care and culture of a
large bed of geraniums and pansies and
they were in a bright and flourishing con-
dition last evening. During the night
some party or parties unknown invaded
the premises and completely destroyed
the bed of flowers by removing the entire
lot. Nothing was left but the dirt. Ev-
ery spring and summer reports come to
the Republican about flower thieves in
different parts of the city. The depreda-
tions should be stopped.

Why not call out the bloodhounds? Put
Rattler and Daisy on the trail of the fel-
lows. They will be sure to "tree" them
and then proper punishment that will fit
the crime can be inflicted.

Church Wedding.

Last evening at 6 o'clock the marriage
of August Koschinski and Miss Augusta
Morentz took place at St. Johannes Ger-
man Lutheran church. The ceremony be-
ing performed by Rev. Heine of that
church. After the ceremony the couple
were tendered a reception at the home of
Fred Hill at 919 North Charles street.
Over 100 friends of the couple were at the
church to witness the ceremony and about
the same number were present at the re-
ception. The attendants were Misses
Carrie Tibussek, Gertrude Stephen and Ber-
tha Ethred and Messrs. Fred Morentz,
Michael Sohmmski and Gottfried Hill.
After partaking of a wedding supper at
the home of Mr. Hill, the guests spent
the evening in dancing. The groom is an
employee of the Wash and is a brother of
Officer Ed Koschinski of the city police
force. The couple will live in the 1100
block on East Orchard street.

United Brethren Board of Missions.
Toledo, Iowa, May 13.—Owing to the
illness of Rev. A. P. Funkhouser the an-
nual address to the missionary board of
the United Brethren church was made by
Dr. W. M. Hall. His text was from Phil-
ippians, 2:4. It was a vigorous presenta-
tion of the truth that as a nation as a
church, as individuals we must be solicit-
ous for others. The address was well re-
ceived. Prayer and conference meeting
was held this forenoon as preparatory to
the meeting of the general conference
which convened at 3 o'clock this after-
noon. Bible reading and prayers and
brief experiences were delivered in the
line of the answer to the question: "What
Christ is to us." It was led by Bishop
Castle.

School Closed.
John Van Cleve, the teacher of the Blue
Door school near Oakley, closed his school
for the summer yesterday. The pupils
and parents tendered the teacher a picnic
dinner at the school house and special ex-
ercises were rendered by the children.

Order in the Ranks.
Captain—Sergeant, note down. Pri-
vate Grungrun—three days on bread
and water for slovenly turnout on pa-
rade.
Sergeant—Beg pardon, captain, that
won't make the slightest difference to
him. He's a vegetarian!
"What?" Then put him for three
days on meat and soup!—London Argus.

Violent Deaths of the Sultans.
Of the 38 sultans who have ruled the
Ottoman empire since the conquest of
Constantinople by the Turks, 31 have
died violent deaths.—Albany Argus.

The remains of the Comtesse Luppes
have been identified among the unlabeled
five bodies rescued from the Paris
charity bazaar fire.

President McKinley has accepted the
invitation to go to New York and take
part in the ceremonies on Memorial day.

BALL IN DECATUR.

Games Will be Put Up at the
Park if the People
Want Them.

THE BALL WILL OPEN ON MAY 22-23.

Dummies of Kenney and a St. Louis
Club to Inaugurate the Season—
Dougherty & Leighton
in the Lead.

On another page of this issue reference
is made to the probabilities that Decatur
will secure the deaf mute base ball team
to represent the city on the diamond this
year. On the 22nd and 23rd of this month
the team will be here to play games, and
if there is any inclination to patronize the
games the team will stay in Decatur.

J. C. Dougherty and Will Leighton have
for some time past been making arrange-
ments to organize a ball club in the city.
After investigating the different players
that could be secured it was decided that
the mute team would be the best one to
have if they could be secured. Manager
Cummings of the mute team, is anxious
to come to Decatur with his players. The
club is now located at Kenney and the
members feel that if they could come to a
larger city they would make a better suc-
cess. The local managers deemed it best
to first have a trial game and if the pub-
lic patronize it they will at once establish
a permanent club. Saturday May 23,
and Sunday, May 24, were the dates
chosen for the trial games. The Kenney
mutes will be here and play the Dads,
the champion amateur nine of St. Louis.
The Pickaninny band will accompany the
players and on Sunday there will be a pa-
rade of the players in carriages. Ar-
rangements have been made with the
owners of the base ball park on North Ed-
ward street and if the mute team remains
in Decatur the park will be leased for the
season. The grand stand and fences will
be repaired and the park will be put in
good order. Norman Martin has been
granted the privilege of selling refresh-
ments on the grounds. The charges for
admission to the game will be 25 cents
and 15 cents extra will be charged for
seats in the grand stand.

Whether or not Decatur secures the
mute team simply remains with the pub-
lic. If the trial games are not well pa-
troned Messrs. Dougherty and Leighton
will of course not feel like undertaking
the task of the season but if
the people show by their attendance that
they want a ball team the mute club will
at once be engaged. The players come
here with that understanding and seem to
be anxious to make Decatur their head-
quarters.

The mute team has not only become
well known because it is composed of men
who are deaf and dumb but because they
know how to play ball. They have not
been defeated but once this year and that
was by the Beardstown club. The best
player with the team will be Luther Tay-
lor, the mute pitcher. He is not with the
club now as he does not want to play in
small towns, but he is willing to come to
Decatur and will be here to play in the
games on May 23 and 24. Taylor has a
record for 1896 that is equalled by few.
In sixteen full games only five earned
runs were made off his delivery, and in
that number of games struck out 182
men. He has pitched in games with
some of the best teams in his class and
has always made a good showing. The
mutes have attracted considerable atten-
tion wherever they have played and with
such a team the local managers would
have no trouble in arranging games worth
attending. It is stated that the team will
positively remain in Decatur if the trial
games are well attended and if any in-
clination is shown by the people to sup-
port the club by their patronage. No
subscriptions will be solicited and all that
will be asked for is attendance at the
game.

Ninth Illinois Regiment Reunion.
Macoupin, Ill., May 13.—The survi-
vors of the 9th Illinois regiment, one of
the most famous regiments that partici-
pated in the war of the rebellion, met at
Okawville Springs, fifteen miles east of
here, on the Louisville and Nashville rail-
road yesterday for a two days' reunion.
In the four years of civil strife the 9th Illi-
nois actively participated in 110 battles
and skirmishes with the confederate army,
among them the battle of Shiloh, where
it went in with 573 men and sustained a
loss of 61 killed, 800 wounded and five
taken prisoners. It was mustered into
the service on April 26, 1861, and must-
ered out with depleted ranks July 9,
1865. The regiment was commanded by
Colonels Eliezer A. Paine, Samuel T.
Hughes, E. C. Mercey and Jesse J. Phil-
lips. Phillips is the only one of the four
now living, an Illinois supreme judge, re-
siding at Hillsboro.

A Grist of Washington Gossip.
Washington, May 13.—The senate com-
mittee has decided to ask the secretary of
state to supply as fully as possible all in-
formation in regard to the situation in
Cuba. Senator Butler introduced a res-
olution requesting "under what authority
the proposed sale of the Union Pacific has
been agreed upon between the execu-

tive and any combination of purchasers."
Senator Aldrich on his return said that
nothing had occurred to change his de-
termination to call up the tariff bill on
May 18. He said he thought the Demo-
crats had no claim for further delay. The
president has practically decided to de-
cline all Decoration day invitations. He
goes to Philadelphia this week to ded-
icate the Washington monument and wants
to go to the Nashville exposition in June,
making it inadvisable to be absent from
Washington at the close of the month.
The president desires very much to attend
the Utah jubilee in July, as he has been
visited that portion of the country. His
acceptance, however, it is said depends
upon the adjournment of congress. If
the tariff bill is out of the way and con-
gress will adjourn early in July, there is
little doubt but that he will make the
trip.

ADDITIONAL PERSONALIA.

—Attorney W. B. Tyler went to Van-
dian today on legal business.

—Dr. Benjamin Brown has returned
from Springfield.

—D. L. Maxwell and Jerry Rogers of
Sterling, Ill., were in the city today on
business.

—Mrs. Charles Logan is ill at the home
of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kelly
on North Edward street.

—Miss Lola Austin, who has been ill
of the grip for the past nine weeks at her
home on West Main street, is recovering
and able to be out.

—Allan Bevans, who went to Hunt-
ing Creek, Mich., for his health about three
weeks ago, writes that he has been great-
ly benefited. He says he has gained
weight and strength and expects to return
home in about two weeks.

NO ESTIMATE CAN BE MADE.

Not Possible to Tell What Amount Will
Come From Inheritance Tax

There are many people in Decatur who
are personally interested in the operation
of the inheritance tax law. The Spring-
field Journal says it is not possible to
make an estimate of the amount of money
the inheritance tax, which was declared
constitutional by the supreme court on
Tuesday, will bring to the state. In only
one county, Adams, has any effort been
made to enforce the law since it was de-
clared to be unconstitutional by the federal
court, and the result is that the amount
of the money which should have been col-
lected during the past two years will find
its way into the treasury.

The amount that will be recovered from
estates which were administered on what
the impression prevailed that the law was
not good, will depend on the manner in
which the various county collectors go
about enforcing the law. None of the es-
tates that have gone into the courts since
the law went into effect have been finally
settled, but at the same time many of
them have been put in such shape that it
will not be possible to get anything out
of them. In any event the collectors are
likely to be contested and there is little
prospect of any immediate revenue con-
tributing into the treasury on account of the
estates which have heretofore been thrown
into the courts. In all cases heretofore
the tax will be collected immediately.

The people who are interested in fig-
ing the inheritance tax have stated that
they will carry the case to the supreme
court. It is not expected by the friends
of the measure that they will be able to
get the case into the federal court. Its
questions involved are not such as are
to do with the constitution of the United
States, and as the matter is purely local,
the decision of the state court will prob-
ably stand.

DECATUR NOT IN IT.

Factory Inspector and Deputies Appoint-
ed.

Governor Tanner on Wednesday ap-
pointed Abraham Harris of Chicago as as-
sistant state factory inspector, and the
following deputy state inspectors: Phi-
lip Steinhilber, Samuel Rieger, Thomas
Devenish, Mrs. Clara M. Cope, Mrs.
Winnie M. Crissey, Mrs. Sarah Grogan
and Mrs. F. H. Greene all of Chicago, C.
P. Yates of Cerrito Gordo, and William
Ehn of Galesburg.

Decatur had three applicants for
pointments as deputy inspectors but
it seems that their claims were
overlooked by the governor. The aspi-
rants had strong backing for the
places they sought but it appears that the
influence was not strong enough.

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ENGLAND SEES IT.

Finds She was Outwitted by the
Powers in the Cretan
Matters.

EASTERN INTERESTS THREATENED

Surrender of the Greek Fleet to Turkey
Means Upsetting the Balance
of Naval Power in the
Mediterranean.

London, May 14.—The apparently au-
thentic statement that Turkey intends to
demand the ceding of the Greek fleet as an
essential condition of peace is eagerly
discussed here, both by the press and the
politicians. It is contended that if Tur-
key gets the Greek ships it will be equiva-
lent to handing them over to Russia,
thus upsetting the balance of naval power
in the Mediterranean.

Sir Charles Dilke said last night:

"If Turkey gets the Greek fleet it will
be tantamount to taking its value in
money from Greece, thus further embar-
rassing her, but with no corresponding
naval advantage to Turkey, for the sultan
will allow the ships to go to ruin in three
or four years, when they will be of no
further use to any power. I hate to even
think of the suffering Greece will undergo
by reason of Turkish exaction. The
moral effect on Europe of the subjugation
of Greece I regard as ruinous, and espe-
cially damaging to British interests.
Greece is the only country in Eastern Eu-
rope in complete sympathy with our west-
ern ideas of civilization and progress, and
the only one which was at all likely to
assist England with her eastern complica-
tions. She has fallen disastrously in
her gallantly inspired struggle, and as I
have said, the moral effect of her failure
is certain to make itself felt injuriously
in the future developments of the eastern
question."

Sir Charles Dilke expressed these views
with impressive earnestness.

Mr. James O'Kelly, M. P., a close stu-
dent of foreign politics, expressed prece-
dently the same views. He said:

"If the powers allow Turkey to deprive
Greece of her fleet it will be a grievous,
almost an irreparable loss to Greece; but
the ships won't be worth a sixpence in a
year, as they will be totally neglected by
the sultan's government."

Several liberal members declined to be-
lieve that the powers will permit Turkey
to inflict such a gratuitous humiliation
on Greece. Some thought Greek com-
manders would be justified in sinking
their ships rather than surrender them.
The feeling of the government minis-
ters is that Greece can expect no mercy,
and should be profoundly thankful for
any terms the powers may succeed in ob-
taining for her from her conqueror. This
spirit is reflected in the conservative press,
which now has nothing but denunciations
for Greece and unqualified condemnation of
her action from first to last.

TURKISH LEFT WING RETREATS.

Gen. Smolenaki Recaptures Allimiroz with
His Headquarters.

Athens, May 14.—Advice from the
headquarters of the Greek army at Domokos
says the Turkish left wing has evacu-
ated Allimiroz and is moving towards
Pharsalos, to the rear of the place. Gen-
eral Smolenaki, commanding the Greek
right wing occupied Allimiroz again with
the Greek headquarters. Unless the rear-
ward movement of the Turks is the result
of the action of the powers it is believed
to indicate again the concentration of
troops, preparatory to making a general
attack upon the Greek stronghold.

GREEK VICTORY.

The Peninsula on Which Preveza is Situated Captured.

Athens, May 14.—The Greeks captured
Nikahollia, the site of the Turkish fort-
ress on the peninsula upon which Preveza
is situated. Eighty Turks were killed.
The Greek troops re-occupied Soukoura
without opposition.

Turkish Advance Is Reported.
Constantinople, May 14.—Official dis-
patches from Larissa, dated yesterday say
that the Turkish divisions are marching
upon Domokos, the Greek headquarters,
and have occupied villages five or six miles
north of Domokos. Consequently the
Turkish forces should now be before
Domokos. Eleven Greek sailing vessels
which with their crews have been cap-
tured by a Turkish warship have been
brought into the Dardanelles.

Turkey May Hold Theatricals.
St. Petersburg, May 14.—It is semi-
officially announced that in well-informed
Russian quarters (evidently Russian for-
eign office) the belief prevails that it will